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Dear Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.56, Applicant wishes to call the attention of the Examiner to the following references:

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<u>Patent No.</u>	<u>Patentee</u>	<u>Date of Issue</u>
5,844,627	May, et al.	Dec 01, 1998
5,974,193	Baudouin	Oct 26, 1999
6,229,578	Acharya, et al.	May 08, 2001
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Jostschulte, K., et al., "Perception Adaptive Temporal TV-Noise Reduction Using Contour Preserving Prefilter Techniques," IEEE Transactions on Consumer Electronics, Vol. 44, No. 3, 1998, pp. 1091-1096.

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Copies of the above-listed articles are enclosed, together with a completed form PTO-1449.

This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed within three months of the filing date of the subject patent application, and therefore no fee is due.

Consideration of these references by the Examiner is respectfully requested.

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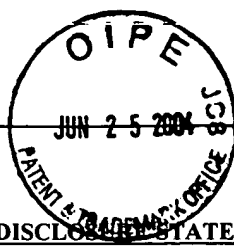
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